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## VIA FEDEX

Courtney Avery Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 535 W. Jefferson Street, Floor 2 Springfield, IL 62761 Re: Application and request for expedited review

Dear Courtney:

Enclosed please find our application on behalf of Illinois Vascular Care, LLC and Nephrology Associates of Northern Illinois, LTD to establish a single-specialty Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center. Accompanying the two copies of the application (original marked) is the requisite check for \$2,500. Should there be any additional information needed, please do not hesitate to contact me or my colleague, Juan Morado, Jr., to address any questions or concerns.

Please also accept, herein, this as our request for expedited review of this application. We are requesting that this project be heard no later than the February 27, 2018 meeting of the Board. As outlined in this application, the location at which these procedures are currently able to be performed, NANI only has part-time access and is having to turn away patients in need of care. As discussed the last time NANI was before the Board, this is a transition that is being driven by government changes in reimbursement designed to see these procedures performed in ASTCs or hospitals. Time is of the essence in making sure this vulnerable patient population continues to receive the necessary care and has access to the life-saving treatments they need.

If additional rationale or reasoning would be of assistance, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Best regards,

BENESCH, FRIEDLANDER, COPLAN & ARONOFF.LLP Mark J. Silberman

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